



Wrap up warm, and stay safe when you're out and about!



Learning and teaching is designed around the eight curricular areas of the *Curriculum for Excellence*. This term, our foci include...



### Literacy and English

Primary 7 will conclude their study of *Tom's Midnight Garden* using their 'Super Six' reading strategies (Visualise, Monitor, Predict, Connect, Question and Summarise) to complete a variety of tasks.

There will also be opportunities to read passages and texts based on topical events, and a strong emphasis will be placed on reading for enjoyment through the First Minister's Reading Challenge.

Writing this term will include fiction, inspired by seasonal events, and report writing based on The Victorians.

### Numeracy and mathematics

Primary 7 will continue to further their understanding of decimal numbers and of the four operations (add, subtract, multiply and divide) within and using decimal numbers. Additionally, we will be looking at vulgar, equivalent and simplified fractions. In beyond number, Primary 7 will learn about converting units of length (metres, centimetres, and millimetres), percentages of an amount, and volume.

### Social Subjects

This term P7 will study the Victorian era to build a picture of Scotland's heritage and discover how past events have shaped Scottish society today. They will also learn how to use primary and secondary sources to research events in the past.

### Homework

Homework will be given out on a Monday and due back on Friday.



#### Dates for your diary:

30<sup>th</sup> November: Winter Fair

11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December: Nativity performances

20<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas parties AM

### Health and wellbeing

This term, the PE focus will be on Games lessons and Short Tennis. We will continue to complete our daily mile (weather dependent).

Please remember to provide a PE kit which can be left in class. PE days this term are Tuesdays and Thursdays. Water bottles are essential.

We will also be focusing on friendship and respect.

### Religious and moral education

This term, pupils will be learning about St. Andrew's Day, Hanukkah and Christmas.

Assemblies held by our HT and DHTs throughout the year address many aspects of cultural and religious significance.

### Technologies

In term 2, Primary 7 will be learning about computer programming. We will use a computer programme called 'Scratch' to advance ICT skills.

ICT will also be used to enhance learning across the curriculum, with continued use of SumDog to boost maths skills, and our iPads to engage learners in digital learning.

### Science

In Science, Primary 7 will investigate chemical reactions between solid's, liquids and gases.

### Expressive Arts

Linked to our Victorians topic, Art lessons will focus on group collage work, 3D-sculptures, and Christmas art. Additionally, there will be an opportunity for the Primary 7's to audition for the school choir lead by Mr. Stevenson.

20<sup>th</sup> Dec: School closes at 14:30

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Dec – Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Jan: Holiday

7<sup>th</sup> Jan: Start of Term 3